



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT(S) : Raichle et al.

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INDIRECTLY HEATED ROTARY KILN

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**AMENDMENT**

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2006, on the above-referenced patent application, Applicant(s) respectfully request reconsideration of the application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper. Clean versions of replacement sheets for the drawings are attached in an appendix following the last page of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

An **Appendix** containing 1 sheet of replacement drawings following page 17 of this paper.